# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# COAL
# LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4017
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WEIGHING SYSTEM OF COAL
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**Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:**

(a) the year-wise quantum of coal produced in the South-East Coal Fields Ltd. and the Private Coal Fields in the Raigharh district in Chhattisgarh during each of the last 3 years and the current year;

(b) whether any alleged discrepancy was observed in the weighing system of coal in these areas;

(c) if so, the quantum of coal weighed and the quantum not weighed during the above period;

(d) the quantum of Coal that was seized for having been mined and transported illegally during the said period; and

(e) the details of the action taken to ensure that coal is transported only after being weighed by automatic weighing machines?

## Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (DR. DASARI NARAYANA RAO)

(a): The year-wise quantum of coal produced in the South Eastern Coalfields Limited (SECL) and Private Coal Fields located in Raigarh district of Chhattisgarh during each of the last 3 years and the current year are as under:

(Figure in Million Tonne.)

| Company | 2003-04 (Upto April) | 2004-05 | #2005-06 | #2006-07 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| South Eastern Coal Field Limited | 71.009 | 78.550 | 83.024 | 6.233 |
| Jindal Steel & Power Ltd. | 2.466 | 2.965 | 5.310 | Details Not Available |
| Monnet Ispat & Energy Ltd. | 0 | 0.126 | 0.439 | Details Not Available |

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(b) & (c) No discrepancy was observed in the weighing system of SECL..

(d)&(e): As reported by Coal India Limited (CIL), there is no such report of coal being illegally transported in SECL. The following initiatives have been taken by SECL to ensure that the coal is transported only after weighment:
i) All loading/ despatch points are equipped with automatic weighing machines.
ii) In regard to Rail despatch there are in motion/ static weighbridges.
iii) In case of failure of working weighbridges there are standby in motion/ static weighbridges.
iv) As regards road despatches also there are standby weighbridges kept in case of any failure in the working weighbridges.
v) Apart from this there are security posts where it is ensured that the trucks have been weighed before despatch.